



Central 70 Project

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Central to Communities, Commerce,
Connections and Colorado



Schedule Update

- NEPA
 - ROD on track for early 2017
 - Public comment periods for air quality conformity and alternatives comparison planned for this Fall
 - Working with Denver to resolve conflict between I-70 drainage design and City's plans (comment in FEIS)
- Procurement
 - Fifth RFP addendum in development
 - Final in Spring 2017
 - TIFIA Financing and Interagency Agreement

Mitigation Commitments

- ROD will finalize commitments
 - improvements to nearby residential properties and Swansea Elementary School
 - Contributions to affordable housing and fresh food access
- Details of affordable housing contribution (\$2M) still in development

Workforce

Local hiring:

- First in CDOT history
- One of fewer than a dozen highway projects nationwide to implement
- Required receiving special permission from FHWA to pilot local hiring
- Draft goal set at 20% of total work hours
- Geographic area spans both sides of the highway from Sunnyside to Montbello/Aurora

Workforce Development:

- Opportunity to provide lifetime career opportunities
- Received \$400,000 in grant funding from FHWA to fund training and supportive services
- Also exploring broader opportunities that would help connect workforce development for major projects across the region/corridor
- Intent is to develop and implement program in 2017

Outreach and Community Engagement

- **Presence at numerous community events and festivals**
- **Presentations to local organizations and RNOs**
- **'duct-work**









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